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REMARKS

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1. The intact barracks of the GROSSENHAIN (N 52/A 01) airfield were occupied by about 2,500 Soviet Air Force soldiers. Seventy to eighty single-engine aircraft were parked at the landing field. The aircraft, whose engines were run up about 10 a.m., were taxied to the western end of the E-W runway where they lined up in two rows, one behind the other. Three or four trucks which were occupied by soldiers pulled up at the take-off point. The aircraft took off, gathered to squadron formations in the air and practiced flying for 30 to 40 minutes.

2. The concrete E-W runway (about 200 x 5,000 feet) was crossed by a shorter runway which extended in a N-S direction. Two specially fenced-in fuel dumps with dug-in tanks were located near the spur track at the western and northern edges of the airfield. Three bombs, each three feet long, with a diameter of about 10 inches and a stabilizing surface, lay on the loading ramp. A target range and a watchtower were located on the northern edge of the field.

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Comment:

a. From the reported occupation of the GROSSENHAIN airfield it is inferred that two ground attack regiments are stationed there.

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b. The statements on the location of the two runways and the length of the E-W runway are generally correct (real length of runway: 4,600 feet).

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